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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2003. The three-month shortened statutory period expired on September 18, 2003; thus a petition for a two-month extension of time and check therefor are being filed herewith, extending the deadline for responding to the Office Action to November 18, 2003. Therefore, this response should be considered timely filed.

In light of the following remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims and application are in condition for allowance. Thus, Applicants request entry of this response, as well as the attached Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.132, since the application is now in condition for allowance. In response to the Office Action, consider the following: